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Overview

Established by statute in 1971, the [Commission for Economic Development \(CED\)](#) is a bipartisan advisory board tasked with reporting to the public and the Executive and Legislative branches its findings on the conditions of key sectors of California's economy. The CED also is responsible for making recommendations on how to improve the state's economic development efforts and business climate.

As the Chair of the CED, Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi is dedicated to ensuring a stable foundation for entrepreneurship, workforce development and economic growth in California. He is actively seeking dynamic and innovative ideas to address the state's ever-evolving economic landscape and the long-term issues impacting California's vitality and global competitiveness.

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